

## CONGRESSMAN SINNOTT VISITS US OVER SUNDAY

**Representative Touring This District in  
Auto and Arrives Unannounced.  
Talks About Remedial Land Laws  
And Joins in Protest Against The  
Proposed Change in Routing Mail**

Hon. N. J. Sinnott, representative in Congress from this district, came in unannounced last Saturday evening and spent Sunday and a part of Monday in this city. The gentleman is making a tour of his district and meeting with the people to acquire at first hand certain information that he may better understand conditions and therefore give them better service in Washington at the opening of congress.

He found it impossible to make a schedule or accept any speaking engagements on the trip as his district covers such a vast territory he could not with any certainty make each point on a certain day. He is traveling by auto and has covered many miles in his present tour, stopping not only in the towns but visiting personally with homesteaders and stock men on the way to get their views upon legislation.

Mr. Sinnott is particularly interested in land laws that will be practical and beneficial to the people who are trying to develop this vast interior and has introduced some remedial bills having for their purpose the relief of homesteaders. One of these bills that is now a law was permission to the entryman to take his leave of absence in two periods; another is the additional homestead entry whereby those who have made proof on 160 acres and who were within the designated enlarged homestead districts are entitled to an additional 160 adjoining the original entry.

The gentleman prepared a bill and will likely introduce it at the coming session providing for a longer period to establish residence on a homestead. His idea is to give an entryman two years in which to establish actual residence upon his land but in the meantime he must show good faith by improving it, such as fencing, putting up a house, cultivating a certain portion, etc.

In this way he may make the place habitable before he is compelled to bring his family upon it, this giving him an advantage over the present provision of establishing his residence without having time to prepare conveniences that are necessary to the comfort and welfare of his family. This idea was advocated in the columns of The Times-Herald two years ago.

Mr. Sinnott asked the feeling of local people as to the leasing of grazing lands, also the proposed 640 acre homestead and the classification of lands in farm units, etc. He found the stockmen opposed to the leasing law, they deeming it impracticable.

An impromptu meeting was called at the Levens Theatre on Sunday afternoon for those who desired to meet Mr. Sinnott and discuss any matter that they desired. Several were present and the most of the time was taken up in placing the matter of the change in the routing of the mail from the east, as proposed under recent advertised bids by the postal department. It was shown that it was folly to make a change in the routing at the present time as the railroad is building on into the Valley and that within a very few months it would be necessary to call for new bids and the congressman was asked to use his influence in having the present routing remain as it is until the change was practical.

Mr. Sinnott gave a short talk to those present, stating at the beginning that he was not out on a speaking tour but rather to listen and find the views of his constituents. He reviewed the past legislation that affected this particular district, such as the land laws, and irrigation funds, etc. He stated he was getting some good first hand information that would be of assistance to him in the coming session and felt his tour would result beneficially to all concerned.

## Central Oregon Horses Bringing Big Prices

Central Oregon horses for military purposes are in big demand. A deal was consummated last Thursday in which Evans & Wilson, horse buyers of St. Joseph, Missouri, representing the French republic, purchased approximately 400 head of horses from W. W. Brown, the well known stockman of Fife. It is understood that the purchase price was in the neighborhood of \$24,000.

The first of the lot bought, totaling 158 head, were shipped Sunday morning to St. Joseph and will later be dispatched to France where they will be put into service. The buyers are in the vicinity of Paisley and Silver Lake this week looking over the field with the view of making further purchases.

On their recent tour of Central Oregon, buyers have not been so discriminating in their selections of horses suitable for military purposes as they were some months ago. This fact is attributed to the growing scarcity of horses in the stock sections of the country. For several months this year buyers have been scouring Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Oregon and it is said that available stock to be shipped to the belligerent nations is rapidly decreasing. A majority of the horses purchased in the Fife district last week were not broke and the horses will undergo this process before shipment abroad.

During their activity in Central Oregon for the last several months buyers have purchased approximately 1,400 head of horses, most of which have been shipped abroad and put into army service. The estimated value of the horses taken from this part of the state is \$250,000.

The demands that are being made on middle western packers as well as horse men, it is believed, will cause unprecedented activity in the stock market this fall. Buyers representing both eastern and coast firms are expected to Central Oregon during the middle of the month to make purchases. There are plenty of cattle for sale, but supply is believed far insufficient to meet the demand. Just what the activity in the sheep market will be is problematical at the present owing to the high quotations on mutton. —Bend Bulletin.

## Demand Educated People.

Young man, if you expect to run your father's farm in years to come, prepare yourself for the business; attend the college maintained in your state for farmer's sons. Young women, if you expect to be a happy wife some day in the future, obtain the industrial training that will best fit you for your life's work; the agricultural college also holds out a helping hand to you. Avail yourselves of the opportunities in life as they present themselves. The future demands people with special knowledge of special work. —Western Farmer.

## Warrant Call.

Notice is hereby given that there is money on hand to pay all rabbit bounty warrants registered prior to May 20, 1915. Interest ceases September 6, 1915.  
R. A. MILLER,  
County Treasurer.

## Sumpter Valley Railway Co.

Arrival and Departure Of Trains

Departs	Arrives
No. 2, Prairie 10:15 A. M.	Sumpter 2:35 P. M.
Sumpter 4:00 P. M.	
Departs	Arrives
No. 1, Baker 8:30 A. M.	Sumpter 10:05 A. M.
Sumpter 2:10 P. M.	

No. 1 Makes good connection with O.-W. R. & N. Co. No. 4 (Fast Mail) leaving Portland 8:30 P. M., arriving at Baker 7:55 A. M. and No. 17 from east arriving Baker 6:50 A. M.  
No. 2 connects with No. 5 (Fast Mail) arriving at Baker 7:55 P. M. which picks up Pullman at Baker, arriving at Portland 7:00 A. M. Also with No. 18 at 10:45 P. M. for points East.

## SOME GOOD CROPS ARE NOW BEING HARVESTED

**Several Farms and Gardens are Visited  
During the Week Show Excellent  
Results Considering the Shortage of  
Moisture. One Field of 640 Acres  
With First Crop Gives Promise**

The Times-Herald has been investigating the crop situation in this section during this week and finds the average yield quite encouraging considering the late frosts and extreme drouth conditions prevailing all over Eastern and Central Oregon throughout the growing season.

The light rains of the early part of the week have delayed the threshing operations and actual yields on some farms where inquiry was made were not obtainable. In a few instances it was found the yields were not up to expectations, but as a rule the farmers are satisfied and by a comparison with former crops on the same farms the writer finds this season, while short on rain fall and consequent water supply for artificial irrigation, has been rather remarkable in both quality and quantity yield.

This is particularly true of the non-irrigated area where the dry farming method was practiced. In several instances noted on this character of land where no attempt was made to conserve the moisture from a scientific standpoint, excellent yields of rye were obtained. This seems a most satisfactory first crop for new land as it is profitable and in addition prepares the soil for future cropping of a different character.

At the present time it is impossible to get definite information as to the amount of milling wheat raised. There is a fine quality of good hard wheat coming in to the flour mill but as yet the quantity is nominal. The milling company has established a price of 1 1/2 cents for good milling wheat which is very satisfactory to the producers and if the price of barley and oats is as satisfactory in proportion the farmers will have no complaint.

The records for the season at the Dry Farm Experiment Station are not complete at this time but some of the crops have been harvested and threshed. A large number of experiments are conducted upon this tract each year with a view of securing the best yielding varieties of various crops for the benefit of the farmers.

Of the several plots devoted to wheat this season it is found the Turkey Red group has yielded the best of the winter varieties, the average being 35 bushels. It should be remembered that this is devoted to dry farming exclusively and has no irrigation whatever. Of the spring varieties of wheat the best yielding this season has been the Early Bart which averaged 27 bushels. The barley yield was not in shape for the writer to get an estimate.

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It was of good quality and was taken directly from the machine to the mill. One tract of 16 acres in barley on this place averaged 65 bushels to the acre.

Dalt Gibbs threshed 1700 bushels on the G. A. Rembold place just across the river from this city. This averaged a little better than 35 bushels to the acre for the whole field. He also had a fine crop of alfalfa.

Chas. Wilson has finished threshing on the Miller place and the yield was fully up to expectations as his oats and barley averaged better than 40 bushels to the acre. His alfalfa went a little over 4 tons to the acre in two cuttings and he is now considering the proposition of a third time, although he can use it very conveniently for pasture for his stock.

James Smith threshed 1100 bushels on his Poison creek place, having 23 acres of wheat that averaged 35 bushels.

County Commissioner Robins threshed over 2000 bushels on his Crow Camp ranch but the writer did not get the average yield. Mr. Robins has an excellent crop of apples on his place this season also. The weather conditions were not favorable to fruit early in the season but the apple crop is as good or perhaps better than last year. He also has a good crop of pears, the prunes, peaches and small berry crops being short.

H. J. Hansen has not threshed yet but those who have seen his grain consider it one of the best crops ever grown in this section. He has some excellent grain and The Times-Herald will give the yield when it is threshed.

Ira Mahon was down from his Cow Creek home Wednesday and reports his grain and hay crops good. He averaged more than four tons of alfalfa to the acre in two cuttings and he feels confident his third crop would go better than 1 1/2 tons to the acre but considers it more valuable for pasture. He threshed 4500 bushels of oats and barley that averaged 42 bushels. He had but little wheat which was left in the sheaf for his chickens.

An indication of what may be accomplished on raw sage brush land in this Valley is shown on a section belonging to P. S. Weitenhiller near the Experiment Station. Mr. Weitenhiller seeded the entire section to barley and oats but has not threshed. His conservative estimate of the 640 acres is 20,000 bushels; 40 acres of Shadland Climax oats that will average between 50 and 60 bushels and 60 acres of barley that will yield an average of 40 bushels. This is the first crop on strictly dry land. Mr. Weitenhiller also has another field of 140 acres of barley that he estimates will go 30 bushels, and an additional field of oats of 130 acres that will average 30 bushels. These crops were grown on land under first breaking. Figure these crops of approximately 25,000 or more bushels at 1 1/2 cents per pound, the going price of grain, and see whether it pays to farm or not.

Henry Vulgamore threshed 4939 bushels of wheat, barley and oats from 113 acres on his farm north of Burns, an average of almost 44 bushels. He had 28 acres in spring wheat. Mr. Vulgamore sowed one sack of oats that weighed 112 pounds and harvested exactly 112 bushels from it.

The limited time prevented us from securing the actual yield of several other farms where good crops are reported, that of J. C. Foley, Simon Lewis, Alex Hanley, Arthur Turner, W. M. Stewart and others. However, those mentioned are indicative of the general yield throughout the entire country.

The writer visited the orchard of R. J. McKinnon a few miles up the river recently and found the apple trees loaded with fruit. There is also a heavy yield of crab apples and his pears, prunes and plums are fair. Several of the small family orchards in this city have large yields of apples; the pear trees in Sam Mothershead's yard are loaded. Fine peaches were raised by Rev. Father Klein at the Catholic church residence.

The few gardens visited by the writer revealed most satisfactory

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## BUILDING RAILROAD IN HARNEY COUNTY NOW

**One of the Biggest Construction Gangs  
Along the Extension of the Oregon  
& Eastern Working This Side of  
Vischer Ranch. No Contracts Let  
On This Side of Harriman as Yet**

The Times-Herald man was met with considerable excitement the other evening by Frank Johnson of the Oregon & Western Colonization Co. with the startling news that one of the biggest camps of the railroad extension of the Oregon & Eastern was established within the borders of Harney county and that home dirt was actually being turned over for an "honest to God" railroad. Frank insisted on the newspaper man going right down there and make a personal inspection of the work, take a photographer along and give it a big boost. That's just what we would like to have done, but this great religious weekly has been making its appearance regularly on issue day to its subscribers for many years under the present management and while we want first hand news, we also realize there would be many who could not sleep well unless this sheet arrived right on time, therefore had to defer our visit to the railroad camp until our work was arranged for the absence of the pencil pusher.

The good news had preceded Frank a little, however, and we were asking for information from other sources so as to be able to have railroad news for this issue. That they are really working in Harney county and that the instructions are to have the grading done by the first of December is really good news. We're going to help all we can and are willing to pay our fare out on the first train that enters this big Valley—not to go too far, however, just for a short ride out of Harney Valley on a train after waiting for it some 30 odd years.

The Times-Herald is informed that the contracts contemplated west from the Gap have not been let as yet and the engineers who have been working on that portion of the line have been called in. Whether it means a change in the line after coming through the cut or not is not known. Two local men who sought contracts for portions of the road west of the Gap have been put off from time to time until now they do not know whether they desire a contract or not, especially with the condition that it be completed by Dec. 1. It is getting rather late and would require a larger crew than it is desirable to work to complete the work by that date.

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